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From: Batson, David

Sent: Mon 8/29/2016 7:24:49 PM Subject: Re: AOC Negotiations

Jim,

As you know, I have been assisting discussions between Sharon and the members of the New Cassel Hicksville Site PRP Group as a convening neutral. I am attempting to contact Sharon to update her on my discussions this afternoon with Group members, including Kevin Muldanado. I look forward to having a chance to think through all of the parties' perspectives with you & Sharon at your earliest convenience.

Thanks, David

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On Aug 29, 2016, at 2:20 PM, Kevin Maldonado <a href="https://kevinmaldonado64@yahoo.com">kevinmaldonado64@yahoo.com</a> wrote:

Jim: I received a notice from Sharon that she is out and you may be filling in for her. Please let me know how you want to proceed. We want to make every effort to meet the EPA's Friday deadline. Thanks, Kevin.

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Sent: Monday, August 29, 2016 2:15 PM

Subject: AOC Negotiations

Sharon: We just concluded a PRP conference call with all the plume PRPs. It is clear to me that the Central and Western Plume PRPs are not in a position to commit to the EPA AOC by Friday and they will be seeking an extension from you shortly. The Frost Street Parties do not join in this request for an extension and stand willing to enter into an agreement with EPA to do the PDI and RD, and possibly the RA. However, given the other plume defendants' unwillingness to enter into an AOC at this point, it is impossible to finalize the AOC and related documents as currently drafted. An agreement with only the Frost Street Parties will look entirely different from an agreement with all parties. Particularly the sections dealing with common work elements. We remain committed to moving forward and await your advice on how to proceed. Thanks, Kevin.